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BEGIN SUMMARY: MESSAGE QUOTES CONFERENCE OF NATIONAL ARMAMENTS DIRECTORS DOCUMENT WHICH REQUESTS NATIONAL COMMENTS, BY 1 SEPTEMBER 1975, ON THE FORMATION OF SUBJECT STEERING COMMITTEE. END SUMMARY.

1. WE QUOTE REFERENCE DOCUMENT, RECEIVED THIS DATE,
FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION:

QUOTE

SUBMISSION TO THE CONFERENCE OF THE NATO FRIGATE FOR
THE 1970S AS A NATO PROJECT

AT THEIR MEETING HELD ON 13TH TO 15TH JUNE, 1973, THE
NATO NAVAL ARMAMENTS GROUP AGREED TO ESTABLISH PROJECT GROUP 11
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ON A NATO FRIGATE FOR THE 1970S.

2. THE NATO NAVAL ARMAMENTS GROUP, DURING THEIR MEETING ON
14TH TO 16TH MAY, 1975, EXAMINED THE ABOVE PROJECT AND,

HAVING NOTED THAT STAGE 2 OF THE PROJECT HAD BEEN COMPLETED AND THAT GERMANY AND THE NETHERALNDS HAD SIGNED THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING, AGREED THAT IT MET THE ESTABLISHED CRITERIA, AND DECIDED TO INVITE CNAD TO APPROVE THE SETTING UP OF A NATO STEERING COMMITTEE ON A NATO FRIGATE FOR THE 1970S.

3. CONSEQUENTLY, IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROCEDURE LAID DOWN IN C-M(66)33(2ND REVISE) THE NATIONAL ARMAMENTS DIRECTORS ARE INVITED TO:

- (1) NOTE THE SUBMISSION OF THE ABOVE PROJECT;
- (2) AGREE THAT THIS PROJECT MEETS THE CRITERIA ESTABLISHED FOR THE ATTRIBUTION OF THE QUALIFICATION "NATO PROJECT";
- (3) NOTE THAT GERMANY AND THE NETHERLANDS HAVE AGREED TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROJECT BY SIGNING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING;
- (4) AGREE TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NATO PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE ON A NATO FRIGATE FOR THE 1970S, WHICH WILL SUBMIT AN ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT ON THE PROJECT TO THE CNAD, WITH A COPY SIMILTANEOUSLY TO THE NNAG;
- 5) AGREE THAT UNLESS COMMENTS TO THE CONTRARY ARE COMMUNICATED TO THE SECRETARY OF CAND BY 1ST SEPTEMBER, 1975, THE AGREEMENT OF THE NATIONAL ARMAMENTS DIRECTORS TO THE ABOVE WILL BE CONSIDERED TO HAVE BEEN OBTAINED.

UNQUOTE.

2. THE UNITED STATES WILL NOT BE A MEMBER. WE FEEL WE SHOULD SUPPORT THE EFFORT, AND SUGGEST THAT THE UNITED STATES AGREE TO THE FORMATION OF THE NATO STEERING COMMITTEE ON A NATO FRIGATE FOR THE 1970S.BRUCE

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